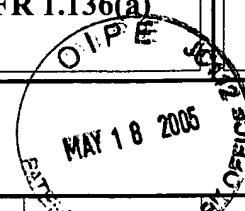


PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)
(Large Entity)

Docket No.
 4296-167 US

In Re Application Of: **Hirao, Harunori, et al.**



Application No.	Filing Date	Examiner	Customer No.	Group Art Unit	Confirmation No.
10/633,170	August 1, 2003	Karl J. Puttlitz	26817	1621	4596

Invention:

METHOD FOR PRODUCTION OF ACRYLIC ACID

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of November 17, 2004 above-identified application.
Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month Two months Three months Four months Five months

from: February 17, 2005 Date until: May 17, 2005 Date

The fee for the extension of time is **\$1,020** and is to be paid as follows:

- A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **13-2165**
- If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **13-2165**
- Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

Dated: **May 16, 2005**

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